

DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Charles Sherman on August 24, 2007 and September 4, 2007.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the specification, Page 1, lines 6-9, has been amended to read the following:

" This present application is a divisional patent application of and claims priority to and benefit of, U.S. Patent Application No. 10/040,072 now U.S. Patent 6,745,778, which claims priority to and benefit of German Patent Application No. 100 52 408.7, filed October 23, 2000."

In the Claims,

Claim 1, line 3 has been amended to read the following;

forming a cigarette rod on a cigarette machine [[a cigarette machine]]; and

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Claim 12, lines 3, "a lit end" has been changed to -- an end --

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